

2024 BOM July, Celebrate Independence Day

Block, Fireworks (12" finished block)

Independence Day is celebrated on July 4 and is also known as the Fourth of July. It is the anniversary of the publication of the Declaration of Independence from Great Britain in 1776.

Dark Fabric: Cut 8 squares, 2 1/2"

Light Fabric:

Cut 4 squares, 2 1/2"

Cut 4 rectangles, 2 1/2" x 4 1/2"

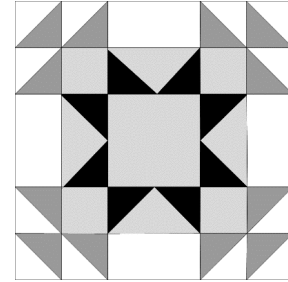
Cut 1 square, 4 1/2" for center square

Med: Cut 6 squares, 3" for HST

Background:

Cut 6 squares, 3" for HST

Cut 4 rectangles, 2 1/2" x 4 1/2"



Assembly -

Center Square: Use the 4 1/2" square.

Sides:

Take one of the light 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles and lay one of the dark 2 1/2" squares on one half. Sew on the diagonal line and trim 1/4" away from the sewn line. Press out and your piece should look like the second figure. Repeat on the other side with a second 2 1/2" square. Make a total of 4.

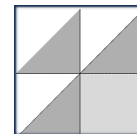
Sew a background 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle to the bottom of each of the flying geese blocks. Finished unit should look like the third figure and measure 4 1/2".



Corner Squares:

Use the 6 – 3" medium squares and the 6 – 3" background squares to make half square triangles (directions below)

Using 3 HST and one 2 1/2" light square, assemble according to the figure



Finishing -p

Assemble in rows following the shaded diagram at the top.

Top row: Corner/side/corner

Middle row: Side/center/side

Bottom row: Corner/side/corner

****To make half square triangle blocks:** On the back of the lighter of the fabrics, draw a line diagonally from corner to corner. Then 1/4" on either side of this cutting line, draw 2 stitching lines.

With two squares, right sides together, sew on the two outside stitching lines. Then cut into 2 halves on the line between the two stitching lines. Press out and you will have 2, half square triangle blocks.

